HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/ Form 8-K April 03, 2006

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) April 3, 2006

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-2402 (Commission File Number)

41-0319970 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1 Hormel Place
Austin, MN 55912
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (507) 437-5611

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:	f
o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)	
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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))	
o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)	

Section 7	REGULATION FD	
Item 7.01	Regulation FD Disclosure	
	, 2006, the Company issued a press release announcing the acquisition of Valley Fresh, Inc. A copy of the release is furnished as to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.	
Section 9	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS	
Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits		
(c) E	whibits furnished pursuant to Item 7.01	
99	Press release issued April 3, 2006	
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Dated: April 3, 2006 By /s/M. J. McCOY

M. J. McCOY

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: April 3, 2006 By /s/J. H. FERAGEN

J. H. FERAGEN

Vice President and Treasurer

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